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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO JUNE 4, 2004 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Communication is submitted in response to the June 4, 2004 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the June 4, 2004 Office Action was originally due September 4, 2004. Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) for a three-month extension of time. The fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is four hundred and ninety dollars ($490.00) and a check for that amount is enclosed. With a three-month extension of time, a response to the June 4, 2004 Office Action is due December 4, 2004. However, since December 4, 2004 fell on a Saturday, a response filed Monday, December 6, 2004 is to be considered timely. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

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